

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 SANTO 01093 082122Z

ACTION EB-08

INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 ISO-00 AID-05 CIAE-00 COME-00 FRB-03

INR-07 NSAE-00 USIA-06 TRSE-00 XMB-02 OPIC-03 SP-02

OMB-01 STR-04 PA-01 PRS-01 /050 W

-----090152Z 076909 /73

R 082030Z MAR 77

FM AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9902

INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

AMEMBASSY PANAMA

AMEMBASSY QUITO

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE SANTO DOMINGO 1093

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, DR

SUBJECT: BANANAS: GODR HESITANT ON UPEB COMMERCIAL VENTURE

1. ACCORDING TO ROBERTO MARTINEZ, HEAD OF THE GODR ENTITY (CEDOPEX) WITH SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MATTER, GODR IS HESITANT ABOUT JOINING THE NEW COMMERCIAL VENTURE OF THE UNION OF BANANA PRODUCERS (UPEB) WHICH HAS JUST BEEN DECIDED UPON AT A MEETING IN PANAMA.

2. THE DOMINICAN DELEGATE TO THE PANAMA UPEB MEETING, DANILO FELIX, WAS INSTRUCTED TO PARTICIPATE IN A STUDY OF THE MATTER AT THE TECHNICAL LEVEL, BUT MARTINEZ HAS PRIVATELY TOLD EMBASSY THAT GODR DID NOT ANTICIPATE ACTUALLY JOINING AT THIS TIME THE NEW COMMERCIAL VENTURE OF UPEB TO BE KNOWN AS WORLD COMMERCIAL COMPANY OF BANANAS (COMPANIA COMERCIALIZADORA MUNDIAL DE BANANO--COMUNBANA).

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 SANTO 01093 082122Z

3. MARTINEZ SAID THAT THE IDEA BEHIND THE CREATION OF COMUNBANA IS TO ATTEMPT PRIMARILY TO MARKET EXCESS BANANA PRODUCTION IN THE COMMUNIST AND ARAB COUNTRIES. ALTHOUGH MARTINEZ INDICATED THAT DR WOULD PROBABLY HAVE AN EXCESS OF BANANAS ONCE NEW IRRIGATION PROJECTS ARE COMPLETED ON THE NORTH COAST A YEAR OR TWO FROM NOW,

HE STATED THAT NO SUCH EXCESS IS ANTICIPATED IN THE
MEANTIME. HE ALSO ADDED THAT SO LONG AS ECUADOR STAYED
OUT OF UPEB, ITS MEMBER COUNTRIES WOULD PROBABLY SIMPLY
HAVE TO SETTLE FOR A GREAT BANANA SPLIT.
AXELROD

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: MEMBERSHIP, TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, BANANAS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 08-Mar-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977SANTO01093
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770080-0350
Format: TEL
From: SANTO DOMINGO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770382/aaaacucw.tel
Line Count: 67
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 6829febb-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EB
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18-Jan-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3176323
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: BANANAS: GODR HESITANT ON UPEB COMMERCIAL VENTURE
TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, PORO, DR, UPEB
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/6829febb-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009